

FAQ's & Statistics

Numbers at a Glance

28 years in operation

1,086 admissions in 2008

100% not for profit organization

4,700 sq. ft facility with 20 beds for young children ages birth to 5 years old

6 bed home for older children ages 6 to 12 years old

100+ volunteers

3 annual fundraisers

24 hour a day, 365 day a year service provider

1 mission to prevent child abuse

What is a crisis nursery?

BACN is a short term residential care facility for young children of families in a time of personal crisis. We service families with parents who care but temporarily can't cope with overwhelming, stressful life emergencies.

Who are the clients?

Among the many diverse socio-economic families that seek support from BACN, one commonality is the overwhelming desire to find relief from extraordinary and immediate stress. Some are homeless; some have substance abuse problems or are fleeing domestic violence. Some have a history of mental illness; others have a medical emergency. Most clients reside in the greater East Bay.

What makes BACN unique?

BACN is the only crisis nursery in our geographical area; we are funded by private donations without any government assistance; and our services are provided at no charge to the clients.

Why is the BACN model successful?

We stop the clock 24 hours at a time, allowing time and resources to combine as prevention to child abuse before an incident within the family occurs.

Our goal is to bridge the need for emergency childcare while providing a support network of resources and services to ensure both parents and children form a healthy family.

To ensure continued success for the family, BACN also provides a Respite Care program allowing monthly respite support of the children. This allows our clients the time they need to acquire additional services for continued stress reduction for the family.